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E-MAIL MESSAGING SYSTEM**
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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In response to the final Office Action from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated October 31, 2001 in the above-identified application, a Notice of Appeal having been filed on April 5, 2002 and an Appeal Brief and a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time being filed concurrently herewith, Applicants hereby amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please cancel claims 20-43 without prejudice to Applicants' right to reintroduce these claims in a subsequent continuation application.

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REMARKS

Claims 1-10, 13-15 and 17-47 are in this application. After amendment herein, claims 1-10, 13-15, 17-19 and 44-47 remain in the application.